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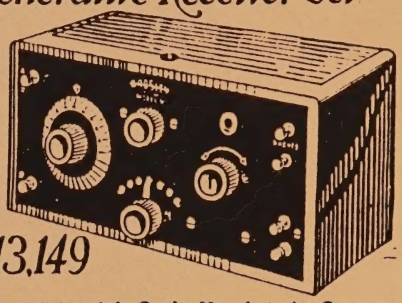

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The Northwest Vintage Radio Society is a nonprofit organization incorporated in the State of Oregon. Meetings are held on the second Saturday of each month at the Buena Vista Clubhouse in Oregon City (see page 3).

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December

DATE : December 14th, 1985
TIME : 10:00 AM
PLACE : Buena Vista Clubhouse
ADDRESS : 16th & Jackson Streets
Oregon City, Oregon

Business for the day will be kept short.

Guests will be welcomed. We look forward to entertaining members of the Marconi's Cronies, as well as other neighboring clubs. A complimentary copy of the Call Letter has been sent to many interested persons all over the Northwest, and all of them are invited.

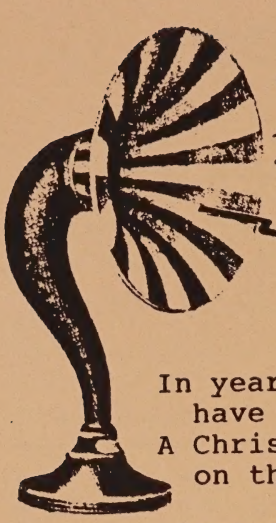
The floor will be opened for nominations to fill the ballot. A Sample Ballot is on page 10. Elections will be held by secret ballot distributed to regular members only.

A discussion of the January banquet will be brief, and an invitation to all present will be extended.

Following the business meeting will be the annual **Christmas Party.**

Plan to buy a raffle ticket. The raffle prize this year is most desirable. See page five for details.

Join in the Spirit with a gift exchange (see the details on page 5). Bring a plate of "goodies" and share with others.



ATMOSPHERICA

By T

In years gone by, I would
have sent to every member,
A Christmas card with greetings
on the twenty-fifth, December.

But Christmas cards are now so poor
With greetings, cold and trite;
And the postal system, a lick-a miss!
It makes a problem, quite.

So I'll just say my greetings here,
to members far and near,
And hope you have a Holiday,
That'll last throughout the year!

"Tom James"

[Your editor and all who help with the the **CALL LETTER** wish to use this special greeting from the "Tom James Collection" to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas.]

From the Tom James Collection
original printing: Dec. 1978

You're Invited

You're invited to a Christmas Party. Come and bring the whole family. Everyone will bring a few refreshments and the Power Supply will feature beverages and special treats.

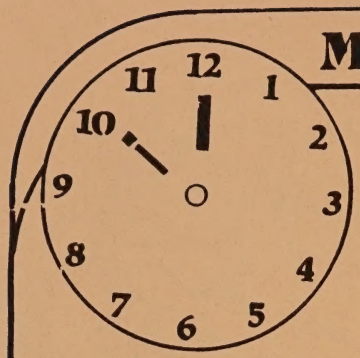
You're invited to share in the gift exchange. Bring a small ($3.00 limit) gift for each member of the family present. Label the gift with the sex of the giver. Everyone who brings a gift gets one. It's a fine time to enjoy the "season of giving" and to receive.

You're invited to buy a raffle ticket to help the club treasury and to have a chance to win 70 Years of Radio Tubes and Valves. This excellent prize was donated for this purpose by Mrs. Evelyn Tompkins. The book has over 240 pages of concise illustrated history pertaining to the development and evolution of the vacuum tube. Tickets for the raffle will be $1.00 each.

Members of the Northwest Vintage Radio Society will have "vintage radios" on display, and door prizes will be given. The festivities usually wrap up by noon or noon thirty.

The Club house is at 16th and Jackson streets in Oregon City. The party begins following a brief business meeting which begins at 10:00.

Meeting Minutes



The November 9th meeting was called to order at 10:15 A.M. by Pres. Dick Karman. The minutes of the October meeting were approved as published in the **CALL LETTER**. The Treasurer's report was given and accepted. The current balance in the Treasury is $515.06.

Guest were welcomed.

GOOD AND WELFARE:

Virginia Ranken reports that Hugh is recuperating from foot surgery.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Society Banquet will be held in January. A sign-up sheet was circulated.

The Puget Sound Antique Radio Society has voted against newsletter consolidation. The California Historical Radio Society is going ahead with tentative plans.

The amendment to the by-laws to omit the July and/or August meetings will be voted upon at the January meeting.

The question of where to hold the May 1986 Spring Swap Meet was discussed. A questionnaire will be mailed to society members.

The idea of radio contests at the monthly meetings was evaluated. Those present endorsed the concept and it will be continued

NEW BUSINESS:

The annual Christmas Party was approved. The **Power Supply** reported insufficient funds were available to purchase door prizes. The sum of $25 from the treasury was authorized for this purpose.

Members of Marconi's Cronies and of the Puget Sound Antique Radio Association will be invited to the party. Gifts will be exchanged as in the past. Members are urged to bring radios for display.

Evelyn Tompkins returned the book "70 Years of Radio Tubes and Valves" which the members gave to Joe Tompkins in recognition of his service to the Society, and requested that it be raffled off for the benefit of the treasury. This raffle will be part of the Christmas party. The raffle tickets will be sold for $1 each.

Nominations for officers for 1986 were as follows:

President -	none
Vice President-	Frank Plaisted
Secretary-	Dan Howard
Treasurer-	Ed Charman
Corr. Secretary-	Dick Karman

Leads & needs were given and the meeting adjourned at 11:15 am. After the business meeting ribbons were awarded to winners of the Vintage Test Equipment contest.

Jim Mason,
Secretary

Vintage Test Equipment Contest Winners

First Place-	Jim Mason
Second Place-	Dan Howard
Third Place-	Dan Wills

REFINISHING CABINETS

by Herb Brams

Remove the old finish with a liquid stripper using steel wool or a stiff brush. Do not use scrapers as they may leave scratches. Allow the stripped cabinet to dry for a day. Fill small holes and other defects with a wood filler. Allow the filler to dry then sand the cabinet by hand, first with medium, then with very fine sandpaper. Do not use a power sander or sanding block as, typically, the wood curves slightly upwards near edges and it is easy to sand right through the veneer. Always rub in the direction of the grain. After sanding, remove all dust.

The stripped cabinet will now probably be much lighter in color than before and should be stained to improve its appearance. Some parts of the cabinet may have beautiful mahogany or walnut veneers. These woods will be revealed clearly when the cabinet is wet with thinner. The fine woods are best left unstained. A clear yellow stain, such as Minwax Golden Oak may be used, however, to give the wood a mellow tone. Dark stains should be avoided as they often give a course, grainy appearance. Parts of the cabinet with fine woods should be stained and have a coat of finish applied to protect them before other parts of the cabinet are worked on.

Other parts of the cabinet may be made of plain, light-colored woods. These often have prominent, irregular grain patterns that do not stain well. To make these areas presentable, stain the wood with muddy, pigmented stain such as Minwax Special Walnut. The opaque pigments will darken the wood effectively and tone down the unsightly grain patterns. Two coats of stain are usually necessary.

Some parts of the cabinet may not look good even after staining. These usually include the edges and base of the cabinet, and the inside of the speaker grill. I paint these areas a dark brown enamel paint obtained by mixing brown with black. The paint can also be used to accent lines and various pieces of trim.

For the final finish I use a satin Polyurethane finish, applying it with a brush. Avoid glossy finishes; they tend to be too shiny and show brush strokes. Also avoid colored finishes; they too will reveal brush strokes. Before starting, make sure all stained and painted surfaces have dried for at least a day. Sand the wood lightly to smooth it, but take care not to remove the paint or the stain. Remove all dust. Lay the cabinet down so that the working surface is horizontal. Brush the finish on to cover the wood completely, then go over it again holding the brush so that it touches the wet surface very lightly. This will even the coat and remove air bubbles. Avoid slopping on a thick coat of finish. The excess will run and form sag marks. Let the finish dry undisturbed for a day or more. Sand the first coat carefully with fine sandpaper and apply a second coat. Be particularly careful here to apply the liquid sparingly as it will not soak into the wood as quickly as before but will have a tendency to run, forming sag marks. You will find it easiest to do all staining & finishing on one side of the cabinet at one time. Be sure to wipe up immediately any spills of stain, paint, or finish that run onto a previously-treated surface.

[Your editor prefers natural finishes like shellac, varnish, or tung oil, over polymers.]

SAMPLE BALLOT

The NORTHWEST VINTAGE RADIO SOCIETY

DECEMBER 14th,1986

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT:

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Duties of the Office

(article 5 of the constitution of NVRS)

President: The president shall preside at all regular & special meetings of the membership, and at the Board of Directors meetings. The President will set the time and place for the Board of Directors meetings. The president is empowered to appoint members to such committees as are appropriate to enhance the activities of the club.

Vice President: The Vice President shall be responsible for planning & arranging technical or entertainment activities associated with club meetings. He serves as the Chairman of the Program Committee if such committee is appointed. He acts as presiding officer at meetings in the absence of the President.

Recording Secretary: The recording Secretary shall be responsible for the recording of minutes of every business meeting and of every Board meeting. He will assist the Vice Pres. in planning & arranging technical/entertainment activities associated with club meetings.

Corresponding Secretary: The Corresponding Secretary shall be responsible for receiving and answering all correspondence sent to, or from the club. He will be present on any committee meeting set up to handle publicity for the club.

Treasurer: The Treasurer shall be accountable for all funds received or disbursed by the club & shall report all monetary transactions & the treasury balance at each regular meeting of the club. The Treasurer shall supply the membership chairman the names of all members in good standing, to be available to the membership at the second regular meeting of the year.

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1. acquisition of additional property
2. to record in order of acquisition

Dan Howard:
Grunow/ Majestic "Stained Glass Window"
Cathedral. Pilot A.C. Superwasp

Dick Howard:
Echophone Commercial. Swedish "Radiola".

Ray Nelson:
Signal Corps U.S. Army Airplane receiver set S.C.R. 59 dated April 24, 1916
1929 Grebe Hi-Boy Console, mint Condition

Jerry Talbott:
1933 Emerson early bakelite set.
1940 General Electric Signal Generator.
1935 Zenith Mod. 970 (12 tube) console.

Jim Mason:
1930 Edison Model R-7 Highboy Console.

Every month, use this page to show off your most recent acquisitions. Place them in the pass-around book at the meetings, call Bob Teague (653-0077) or your Editor.

JANUARY 11TH THE WINTER RADIO EQUIPMENT AUCTION AT THE CLUB HOUSE -- AFTER THE MEETING --

FOR SALE:

Cathedrals, Tombstones, Zenith, Crosley, Majestic Art Deco,. Many A.C. table models from the 30's & 40's. Also lots of tubes, books, magazines, and radio miscellania from $5 to $500. Mike Baute, 5136 26th NE, Seattle, WA 98105 206-524-5111.

Victor 711 Radio/phonograph with Radiola 18. Radio has original running power pack and has dial light hood. Cost $250 in 1929, yours for $15.00. I want it out of my way. Colin Hallgren 2205 Oakes, Everett, WA 98201, 206-252-3892.

Military surplus ARR41 receiver (Collins Built) $75.00. Federal Jr. crystal set $160.00. Radiola III early model, good audios $65.00 Jim Barrows, 15121 41st Ave. SE, Bothell, WA, 98012, 206-337-4880.

Victor console, good condition, new grill cloth, all tubes plus a box of old tubes. Erik Jenkins Seattle, Wa. 206-752-7905.

WANTED:

Cabinet with dragons on the doors for model 52 Zenith, European ECC ECH tubes miniature. Steve Von Talge, 333 NW 74th Street, Seattle, WA 98103, 206-783-2543

Terminal Strip cover for Superpro Power Supply. Jerry Cappoen, 8220 71st St. Ct. NW, Gig Harbor, WA, 98335, 206-858-7235

Three tube covers for Neutrowound 1926. Steve Carter, 5154 S. 329th Pl., Auburn, WA, 98002, 206-833-3720.

Westinghouse model 165 portable radio (from late 40s) Walt Kiefner, 6233 51st NE, Seattle, WA 98115, 206-522-1357.

2nd I.F. for Majestic model 461 (175 kc), Peter Pan radio, Mickey Mouse radios, Radiola IV, Halicrafters S-38B, Colored plastic mirrored glass and art deco radios, Pilot magnifier for 3" T.V. . Ken Korhonen,4022 41st Ave. SW, Seattle, WA, 98116, 206-932-9363.

Swap Shop

WANTED:
Radio Boys, Radio Girls, & similar books.
Parts for Hallock and Watsons equipment.
Pointer for "Skybuddy".
Richard Howard 9999 SE Frenchacres Dr.
Portland, OR 97266, 503-775-6697.

Parts and Diagrams for Nordon/Hauck Navy Super C-10. Dick Karman 2515 NE 37th ave Portland, OR 97212 503-288-1285.

FOR SALE:
Atwater Kent horn speaker mod. L $35.00
AK model 20 battery set long box $45.00
Jerry Talbott 1440 SW 239TH av Hillsboro OR 97123 503-649-6717 WK

Zenith 10 tube Console, Richard Howard (see listing above)

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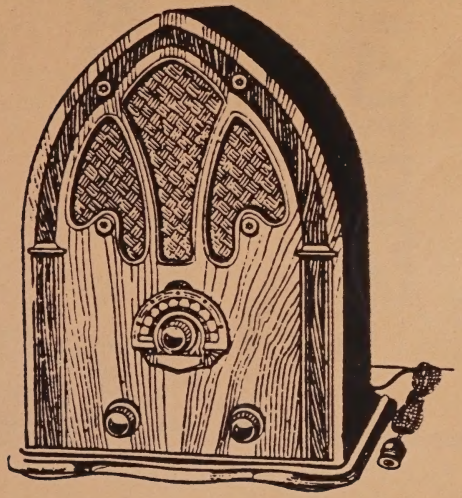

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